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Board of Education
Minutes

9:30 a.m. on May 16, 2014

100 N. Western, Aftercare Conference Room, Chicago IL 60612

Call to Order and Roll Call

Meeting was called to order at 9:45 a.m. by Board President Candice Jones via telephone conference call. President Jones designated Member Tresa Dunbar to chair the meeting.

Present Board members: Tresa Dunbar, Carl Ellis, David Green, and Donald Smoot. Anthony Grady joined the meeting at 9:50 a.m. Board member listening to the meeting via telephone: Candice Jones. Others present: Acting Superintendent Rick Gravatt and DJJ Chief General Counsel Beth Compton; and, Mary Reynolds, DJJ Chief of Intergovernmental Relations participated by telephone.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Ellis made a clarification that he had requested a status report on the contract with Pearson. Mr. Ellis made a motion to approve the minutes from April 18, 2014 and Mr. Green seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Closed Session

Mr. Smoot made a motion to enter closed session for the purpose of discussing matters related to the appointment of employees. Mr. Ellis seconded the motion. Motion carried. Mr. Ellis made a motion to invite Beth Compton and Mary Reynolds in to closed session. Mr. Smoot seconded the motion. Motion carried. The Board entered closed session at 9:50 a.m.

The Board returned to open session at 11:35 a.m.

Old Business

- a. Superintendent Search – Mr. Smoot made a motion to have the Board members review the materials submitted from the candidates for superintendent and that the Board conduct a special meeting at 9:00 a.m. on May 27 to proceed with the selection process. Mr. Grady seconded the motion. Motion carried.

New Business

- a. School Calendar – Interim Superintendent Gravatt presented a proposed 2014-2015 school calendar to the Board for consideration. He noted that the proposed calendar provides designated times for teachers to take vacations and conforms with the Illinois State Board of Education format and minimum requirements. Mr. Ellis made a motion to accept the calendar as presented. Mr. Smoot seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- b. Mr. Ellis made a motion to table all other agenda items until the next regularly scheduled School Board meeting. Mr. Grady seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Adjournment

Mr. Grady made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Ellis seconded the motion. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 11:53 a.m.